

Year 7 RE Topic Talk Card



Topic 1: What is a worldview?

The RE skill we are focussing on in this topic:

Personal Opinion & Debate

Discussion questions for at home:

How do you believe the universe was created?

What evidence do you have to support this belief?

How many people are religious and non-religious in your local area? What does surveys/census data show? How reliable are these sources?

For religious people, what do they believe God is like? What describing words may religious people use about God? If a god does exist with these qualities, can you see any issues with this?

Will religion grow stronger or die out in the next 100 years? What reasons do you have to support your prediction?

What reasons may some people have for believing in a god?

What evidence do they have to support this belief? Do you think this is strong evidence?

What reasons may some people have for not believing in a god? What evidence do they have to support this belief? Do you think this is strong evidence?

What beliefs do you have?
Where do they come from?
Write a list of all the things
you do and don't believe in.
Then think about what
reasons/evidence you have
to support these.

Useful resources:

	https://www.theosthinktank.co.uk/ comment/2021/05/12/worldviews-film	Animated video explaining what a worldview is.
	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/ zh3rkqt	Provides a short explanation of key beliefs for six major world religions and those likely to be held by non-religious people.
	https://www.truetube.co.uk/resource/proving- god-exists/	Animated video looking at arguments for the existence of a god and considers how convincing the arguments are.
	https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/ constituency-data-religion/	Link to 2021 census data in which people were asked about their religious beliefs.
	https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/religious-education-ks3-a-z-of-religion-and-beliefs-c-is-for-creation-stories/zvfp382	Animated video exploring ideas about creation from different religious and scientific viewpoints.

Keywords for this topic:

Keyword

Census – an official count or survey of a population.

Atheist – someone who does not believe in a god.

Abrahamic religions – religions who believe in one God who sent messages to Prophet Abraham, notably Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

Monotheism – belief in one god.

Bible—Christian holy book.

Omnipresent – the belief that God is everywhere.

Omniscient - the belief that God is all-knowing/all-seeing.

Omnipotent – the belief that God is all-powerful.

Omnibenevolent – the belief that God is all-loving.

The Big Bang Theory—A scientific idea about how the universe began. Simply the idea is that 14 billon years ago all matter and energy in the universe was contained in a very small and hot singular point. From this tiny point, the whole Universe expanded outwards to what exists today.